

Curriculum Vitæ

Vivienne Milligan (nee Milliner) is an Australian citizen, born in Sydney in 1949. She graduated with Bachelor of Arts, First Class Honours in Geography from the University of Sydney in 1973. After holding various academic positions in geography and social policy at the Universities of Sydney and New South Wales from 1973 to 1982, she joined the public service. She has had over twenty years experience in leading housing policy development and innovation in various parts of Australia. In 1993, she was awarded a Public Service Medal for her contribution to the development of housing policy in Queensland.

In 1999, she decided to take a 'career-break' and to commence research that would further her knowledge of international housing policy. She was accepted into the PhD pilot program for foreign students at Utrecht University in the Faculty of Geographical Studies and this enabled her to develop her proposal to undertake a comparative analysis of the outcomes of different housing policies, using her own country and the Netherlands as contrasting cases. While researching the Dutch housing system, she lived in Utrecht between May 1999 and June 2000 and participated in the PhD program of the Netherlands Graduate School of Housing and Urban Research (NETHUR). She completed the remainder of her project in Sydney, as a visiting scholar in the Faculty of Architecture, University of Sydney where she also teaches housing policy.